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Hoonah, Alaska
Reconstruction Folder

January 5, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold B. Foss
H.B.Foss Company
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

In response to your letter of December twenty-sixth, we are glad to enter into a relationship with you for the plans and supervision of the new Church and manse at Hoonah. We understand that your fee for the preparation for complete plans and specifications and supervision of the construction of the two buildings seeing them to their completion will be 5%. We would authorize you to proceed with the preparation of these plans using as consultants the three ministers of Juneau, namely, The Rev. Paul Prouty, The Rev. Willis R. Booth, and the Rev. Walter A. Soboleff. We understand that your plans would be ready for our approval early in March and construction could begin soon thereafter and be completed approximately September 1, 1945.

Mr. Booth has sent us a drawing of the suggested individual homes for the village and an approximate cost of $6000 each. We do not know what this includes but presume that your plans would indicate that to us when we receive them.

At the rate of this cost of construction we realize it will not be possible for us to secure both Church and manse from the $15,000 gift which has been made for this purpose. We would authorize you to plan for the construction of a Church which would cost not more than $15,000 net and the plans for a home which would cost not more than $6,000 net.

In the Church building my own recommendation would be a building of simple lines and design but having in it an atmosphere of warmth and an inviting appearance realizing that this will be kept in fitting relationship with the rest of the village. There ought to be a sanctuary with a center pulpit and space for a choir which would have an entrance from the street and one from the Sunday school part of the building at the rear or side. It should seat about 200 or 250 people, although the ministers in Juneau could give you a better idea of a seating capacity than I can. If possible the sanctuary should be so designed that there could be an increase of seating space for special occasions. It would be better to have a normally smaller sanctuary with the possibility of expanded seating space than to have a larger room which would be unfilled for regular services.

There also should be a semi-basement which would give provision for a social and recreational program with the people. It would be well to have

provision for a kitchen at one end of the room. There should be provision for toilets for men and women. At the back of the sanctuary or at the side, we should have a smaller assembly room for Sunday school purposes with as many class rooms as possible. Within the limits of our funds it may not be possible to have many individual class rooms but we might have rooms for two or three different departments of the school. It would be well to have a room accessible to the pulpit for the minister and another room nearby which might be used for the assembling of the choir before the services.

We shall want the building to be so situated on the lot that it will lend itself to an attractive surrounding with a possibility of doing a little landscaping on it later.

This may seem a large order for the amount of money available but we shall ask you to see what you can do with it.

When we speak of the house we ought to think in terms of a living room which may be a little larger than a normal family living room might be. In all of our manses meetings are held frequently and we need to consider the larger space necessary for this purpose. We also need to think of a minister's study in which he can have wall space for bookcases and a place to put his desk. Under normal situations, this provision for the study might be on the first floor or may be on the second floor which would mean there ought to be four rooms on the second floor with the study as one of them. In your contact with the village and its need for the kind of equipment which is necessary we know that you will have many ideas concerning other features of the house. Again we say this may be a large order but we shall ask you to see what you can do with it.

We are glad to get this project under way because we know the need of the Church and manse in Hoonah.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK
Dictated but not
signed by Mr. Jackman

CC The Rev. Willis R. Booth
" The Rev. Paul Prouty
" The Rev. Walter A. Roboleff
" The Rev. Verne Swanson

WEEKLY PAYROLL JAN 12-15, 1945 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JOB: Moving quanset hut and 5 yakutat huts from Duck Creek to Gov't Dock, Juneau.

ck# 122	Cropley Jake	17 hr	$1.75	29.75	Jake Cropley
ck # 109	Hansen, Jimmy	17	1.01½	17.26	Jimmy Hansen
ck # 110	Jackson, Johnny	17	1.01½	17.26	Johnny Jackson
ck # 111	Dick, Richard	"	"	17.26	Richard Dick

81.53

Received Paymment

At Mr. Cropley's request total wages for Mr. Cropley reduced to $20.00
$9.75 cancelled as a donation.

JAN 22 1945

re Hoonah reconstruction

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H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

January 11, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian
Church in the United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Thank you for your letter of January 5th, 1945 and we appreciate the opportunity of working with you on the Hoonah Projects and we will consult with the Reverend Paul Prouty, the Reverend Willis R. Booth and the Reverend Walter A. Soboleff as you have suggested.

I am leaving for Seattle today and expect to return about January 20th which will make it possible to start on this project the latter part of this month. Complete plans should be ready early in March so that construction can begin at the earliest possible date.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss

cc: Mr. P. Prouty
Mr. W. R. Booth
Mr. W. A. Soboleff

HBF*pw

Alaska Indian Service,
Juneau, Alaska.
January 29, 1945.

Memo to all Concerned:

The following building materials were obtained from the Resident Engineer, U. S. Engineers Office, Juneau, Alaska, which have been shipped to Hoonah for foundation materials for:

Community Building:

7 pieces Lumber, 8" X 10" - 26' — Sills @ $8.66⅔ each = $60.66

Salvation Army Hall:

6 pieces Lumber, 8" X 10" - 26' — Sills @ $8.66⅔ each = $52.00
30 " " 2" X 10" - 20' — Floor Joists
15 " " 2" X 10" - 12' — " " } = 19.24

These materials have been ordered by the Alaska Indian Service, and the Presbyterian Church will pay for the items used for the Community Building, and the Salvation Army will pay for the items used for the foundation for their hall.

Fred R. Geeslin,
Acting Gen. Supt.

FRG - 406-Hoonah
cc: Harry Douglas
Brig. Taylor
Rev. Booth or Rev. Prouty.
Jake Copley

Amount due by Presbyterian Church is $60.66

Please make check payable to "Treasurer of the United States" and deliver to Alaska Indian Service, Juneau, Alaska.

Fred R. Geeslin
Fred R. Geeslin,
Adm. Asst.

GG-Ck#124
2-28-45

Standard Form No. 1080 a—Revised
Form approved by
Comptroller General, U. S.
August 17, 1937
General Regulations No. 78—Revised

VOUCHER FOR ADJUSTMENTS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS AND/OR FUNDS

(DISBURSEMENT)

D. O. Vou. No. A
Bill No. 37
Paying Office No.

PAID BY

(For use of paying office)

U. S. Dept. of Interior, Alaska Indian Service, Juneau, Alaska, Dr.
(Department, establishment, bureau, or office billed)

To U. S. War Dept., Engineer Area Office, U. S. Army, Juneau, Alaska
(Department, establishment, bureau, or office billing)

NUMBER OF ORDER	DATE OF DELIVERY	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per—	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cents
		Following lumber:					
Ltr fr Fred R. Geeslin, 2 Jan 45	20 Jan 45	2 x 10 Com. S4S	1,660.042		FBM	79	24
		8 x 10 Com. Rgh.	2,760.040		FBM	112	66
		Check should be drawn to the Treasurer of the United States					
					TOTAL,	191	90

(For use of billed office only)

Differences

Account verified; correct for $

(Signature or initials)

MEMORANDUM

James W. Huston,
Area Engineer.

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (for completion by office billed)

APPROPRIATION, LIMITATION, OR PROJECT SYMBOL	APPROPRIATION TITLE	LIMITATION OR PROJECT Amount	APPROPRIATION Amount

ALLOTMENT SYMBOL	AMOUNT	ENCUMBRANCE LIQUIDATED	COST ACCOUNT Symbol	COST ACCOUNT Amount	OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE Symbol	OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE Amount

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 10—2156

PAYROLL: February 9 - 21, 1945 Presbyterian Church

Job: Re-assemblying the Community Building at Hoonah, to be used by the Presbyterian Church.

Ck#123 Jake Cropley 80 hrs $1.75 $140.00

Received from the Presbyterian Church for above job, $140.00

Ck# 123

Jake Cropley

Form No. 5-776

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

OFFICE RECEIPT

Received of THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
c/o REV. W.R.BOOTH (Name)
Address JUNEAU, ALASKA $ 60.66

SIXTY AND 66/100 Dollars

Description of Remittance: (For money orders, drafts, checks, and other negotiable papers, give description, including date, numbers, etc.)

CK.B.M.BEHRENDS,JUNEAU,#124,2/28/45, BY WILLIS R.BOOTH $60.66

Field receipt Nos. ---------- to ----------

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT	FUNDS TO BE CREDITED
VOLUNTARY DEPOSIT TO PAY FOR LUMBER PURCHASED THRU THE ALASKAN DEP'T. U.S. ARMY, ENGINEER AREA OFFICER,JUNEAU,ALASKA FOR USE ON THE ~~SALVATION~~ Community ~~ARMY~~ HALL IN HOONAH,ALASKA @			60.66	03.373 SPEC.DEP. 11A
CR- H-29 HOONAH NATIVE VILLAGE	60.66			
cc-TOWN OF HOONAH, C/A MAYOR				
cc-FILE				
cc-BILL#37				
		Total,	60.66	

Remittances, if not in cash, are accepted subject to collection.

MARCH 3, 1945
(Date)
2-ALASKA INDIAN SERVICE
ML (Agency)

No 329705
O.R.#329705

FRED R. GEESLIN, Adm.Asst.&SDA
(Signature)
By [signature]
Chief Clerk & Deputy Disb. Agt.
(Title)

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MAR 5 1945

Dile Hoonah, Alaska Mission

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

February 28, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian
Church of the United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I am enclosing herewith a preliminary study of the proposed church building for Hoonah, Alaska. These plans have been drawn up as a result of a meeting with your committee in Juneau, and Mr. Booth has advised me that he is sending his comments on to you for further consideration.

Yours very truly,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss

Encl.

HBF:pw

UNIT OF WORK IN ALASKA
THE REV. J. EARL JACKMAN, SECRETARY
156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, 10, N. Y.

MAR 5 1945

MOTORSHIP PRINCETON-HALL
THE REV. PAUL H. PROUTY, GENERAL MISSIONARY
BOX 2615
JUNEAU, ALASKA

re Hoonah construction

Alaska

Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue New York 10, N. Y.

Feb. 28 '45

Rev. Mr. J. Earl Jackman;

Sec'y, Unit for Alaska,

156 5th Ave.

Dear Earl;

On Feb. 26th the committee you named met with H.B. Foss Co. to consider the proposed plans for the Hoonah church building.

Following the suggestions you made we endeavored to use the plan of the Juneau Memorial Church as our guide.

While we have made some suggestions for changes in the first drawing, we feel it is highly desirable in Hoonah to have a full basement . The extreme tides come to within four feet of the ground level which means that the inclusion of a full basement requires the structure to be raised higher than would otherwise have been necessary . However this makes the excavation for a basement rather simple.

We recommend the plan for this building to be similar to the Juneau Memorial Church. The main floor area to be almost identical. To arrive at an approximate cost for this building it will be possible to compare prices with that of the Memorial Church which we know was approximately $18,000. Cost today are from 35% to 40% higher than in 1938, which would mean that Memorial Church would cost today $25,000. The structure which we recommend is similar would cost approximately $27,500. in Hoonah or 10% more than prices in Juneau, due to increases in expenses in workmen's living quarters, transportation and camp cost. In addition to this the architectural fee would be five percent of the construction cost or $1,375. making a total estimated cost for the Church of $28,875.

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Deductions from this amount can be made by omitting basement work including partitions, basement floor, plumbing and mill work. If necessary the installation of the heating plant could also be put off for the time being. The omission of all these items would probably amount to $5,000.

We recognize that $15,000. has been the cost term in which thinking has been done. However, it is clear that this sum would not be sufficient to erect much more than a mere shell. We

Paul H. Prouty

Walter A. Sobaski

Willis R. Booth

March 5, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold B. Foss
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

Your letter of January 11th concerning the plans for the Church at Hoonah arrived when I was on a long trip. We are glad to learn that you anticipate to have the plans in our hands in March so that construction can begin at an early date.

We would like, if possible, to have the plans in our hands as early in March as possible because we want to show them to the officers of the organization which is providing the money for the Church building. This ought to be done before the end of March.

I am planning to be in Alaska in April and hope to have a contact with you in the office in Juneau. If we can have our plans submitted here so that we can take the donors into our confidence on them then we can proceed with our final conference early in April in your office.

Very truly yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

P.S. We were glad to receive the plans in this afternoon's mail.

March 12, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold B. Foss
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

We have received the preliminary draft of the plans for the new Church in Hoonah and the report of the Committee on costs.

We were anticipating the possibility of a small additional amount of cost but had no idea the total would run to approximately $29,000. I have sounded out our officers here about the possibility of additional funds but have no encouragement. It will be necessary for us to get the Church and manse within the bounds of the money which is already in hand unless we can raise some money in Alaska.

We have the assurance of $15,000 from the sponsoring Church and we have approximately $9,000 available from the insurance on the old Church. This is all the money available and every dollar of expenditure must come within these figures.

I shall be in Juneau in early April and will confer with you and the Committee about it then.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

CC to The Rev. Willis R. Booth
The Rev. Walter Soboleff
The Rev. Paul H. Prouty

Hoonah - Presbyterian Church

MAR 26 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

March 16, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the United
States of America,
156 Fifth Ave., New York 10, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Your letter of March 12, 1945, regarding the proposed church at Hoonah, has been received. I am glad to hear that you will be in Juneau early in April and that you will confer with the committee and myself at that time.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss

HBF:pw

cc: Rev. Willis R. Booth
Rev. Walter Soboleff
Rev. Paul H. Prouty

March 22, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold E. Foss
H.E. Foss Company
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

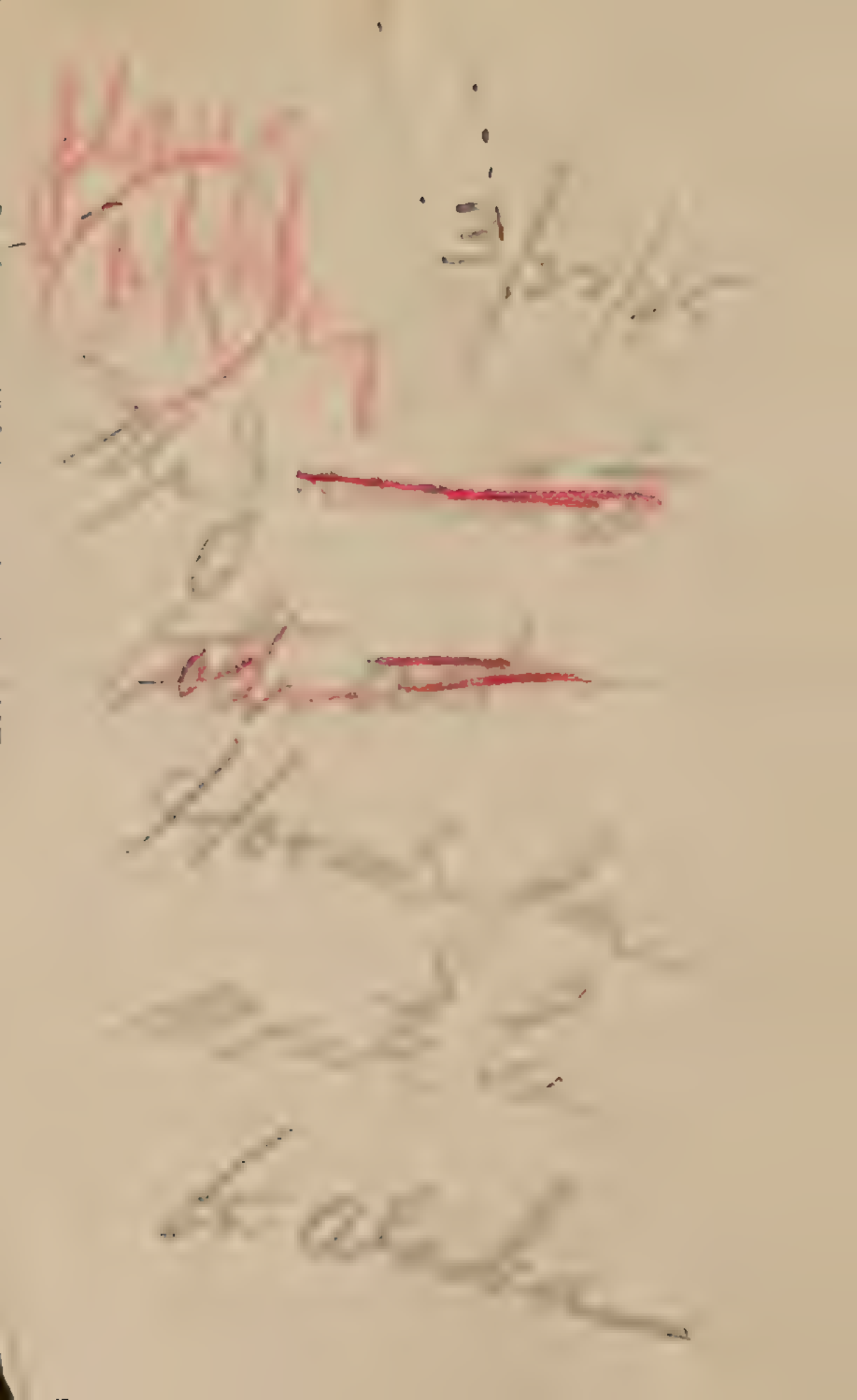
We have been giving closer consideration to the preliminary plans for the Noonah Church, and I have a little encouragement toward getting some additional funds for the building of the Church. We will not have a final report on this until after our Board meets on the 27th of April. Meanwhile, we should proceed in the developments of the plans with the expectation of receiving some additional amount.

In the examination of the plans there are several questions which have come to my mind. Placing the entrances at the side as far forward as they are seems to indicate that the back half of the auditorium will have little or no light. There is plenty of light in the front for the choir and minister but none for the congregation behind the third pew. This would necessitate artificial lighting for nearly every service. Is it possible to provide a source of more natural light?

The front of the Church looks very attractive with the half circle main window. You may have some plan of decorative effect for this which will eliminate the possible objection of having the congregation look past the minister directly into an outside light. Unless this can be toned down it would be a bad effect upon the eyes. You probably have some way of caring for this but if not it would be an objection.

The main entry is on the left of the building as you face it with a cloak room inside, and an entrance into the Sunday School as well as the Auditorium. It occurs to me that the entryway is rather small with a wall between the entry and the coat room. Would it be possible to eliminate that wall in between in order to have more space for the passage of the people? The present arrangement might lend to considerable congestion in that area.

I feel sure that we will not be able to get sufficient funds to cover the approximate estimate of nearly $29,000. It will be necessary to make some cuts in the plans to the extent of perhaps $2000 or $2500.



We want to do this without losing any practical advantage in the equipment which you have initiated in the building. One small possibility occurs to me in the use of the half circle windows on the side. The one at the end of the gable should be left but the ones on the side might be squared on the top to cut down the cost.

Another possibility might be the lowering of the gables on the side. The high center gable is necessary for the sanctuary but it seems to me the side gables of equal heighth does waste a considerable amount of space. This suggestion may be an anathema to a good architect but ought to be considered in the light of cost and waste space in the building.

You may have some alternate suggestions for cutting down the costs which could be revealed in a conference. I am expecting to be in Juneau during the first week of April and will want to confer with you at the office about the plans. In spite of the above suggestions for cutting down and possible weaknesses as they occur to me, may I be just as frank in saying that the plans look very attractive and contain the possibilities of a fine Church which will give us the equipment for Church services and a program of activity for the youth and adults in the congregation. We hope that we may be able to go forward at an early date.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

CC to The Rev. Willis R. Booth
The Rev. Walter Sobaleff
The Rev. Paul R. Prouty
The Rev. Verne J. Swanson

March 23, 1945

Memorandum
To - - The Rev. A. B. Keeler, D.D.
From - The Rev. J. Earl Jackman
Re: - A Grant Mortgage for the Presbyterian Church, Hoonah, Alaska

Hoonah, Alaska was an Indian village of 750 people. The Presbyterian Church was the only church of any size in the village and was one of the oldest of the Presbyterian churches in the territory. In 1944 it reported 108 members.

In June 1944 a disastrous fire swept the village and destroyed nearly all the building including the Presbyterian Church and manse

At first the government proposed to move the village but later decided to help the Indians by building a model village with eighty individual homes having modern conveniences. Materials have been released for this purpose and the building program will be in full operation this summer. The homes will be "rented" to the families until the end of the war and will then be sold to them for a portion of the cost. The cost of construction will average about $6000 for each individual unit.

The Office of Indian Affairs in Juneau agreed to secure a Yakutat hut for a community building with the Presbyterians having the exclusive rights for religious services in it providing we would pay the cost of dismanteling and reassembling it across the street from our property. A Quonset hut also was provided under similar conditions as a residence for our lay-worker in charge of the congregation.

The Board of National Missions received $9000 insurance from the old Church and manse. The Woman's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church in Newark, New Jersey voted to give $15,000 for the erection of a new Church. This has been accepted by the Board and the two sums authorized to be spent for the Church and manse.

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The preliminary estimates for the Church are more than $28,000. These include a sanctuary, seating 126 people, with folding doors opening into the Sunday school which will seat 74 more. The basement would provide for a recreation room, kitchen, boiler room, toilets, library, and Pastor's study. The manse would be an additional $6000, making a total of $34,000 with $24,000 in hand.

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The Unit of Work in Alaska requests the Board of National Missions to appropriate the sum of $8000 as a grant mortgage to complete the Church and manse on property owned by the Board in Hoonah, Alaska.

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JEJ:FK Unit of Work in Alaska

Memorandum April 9, 1945

To - - Dr. Hermann N. Morse
From - Unit of Work in Alaska - Miss Koerner
Re: - Hoonah, Alaska

We are attaching herewith a copy of a memorandum which was sent to Dr. Keeler on March 23rd which will be self-explanatory.

Mr. Jackman was in Juneau on April 6th and met with the Hoonah Committee in reference to the plans for the construction of the new Church and manse. This morning the following telegram was received from Mr. Jackman:

"HOONAH BUILDING COSTS HIGH NATIVES WILL RAISE TWO THOUSAND BUT WE MUST GUARANTEE CONTRACT. CHANGE REQUEST TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN THOUSAND."

We contacted Dr. Keeler and he advised us to clear this matter with you inasmuch as this will be a loan from the National Missions Building Funds because the Board owns the Hoonah property. Dr. Keeler suggested further that if necessary you should phone him.

Unit of Work in Alaska
per

FK

Noted 6-5-1945

Excerpt from Minutes of Administrative Council of April 12, 1945:

"1. That the Board authorize a transfer of $5,000 from Loan A Fund to the National Missions Building Fund and that this amount be granted toward the building of the Church and manse at Hoonah, Alaska, in addition to other funds in hand, because of unexpected high costs in replacing the mission ppoperty that was destroyed by fire."

"The above recommendation has been approved by the Cabinet of Missionary Operation and the Administrative Council, and is being presented to the Board for Approval."

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Excerpt from April 27, 1945 Minutes of the Board:

"RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION RE HOONAH, ALASKA -

It was VOTED that the action of the Board taken on recommendation of the Administrative Council that $5,000 be voted, through the appropriation for National Missions Buildings, toward the building of the church and manse at Hoonah, Alaska be reconsidered.

It was VOTED that this matter be referred back to the Cabinet of Missionary Operation for further study and for report to the Executive Committee in June."

Memorandum April 16, 1945

To - - The Rev. Hermann Morse, D.D.
and
The Rev. A. R. Kohler, D.D.

From - Unit of Work in Alaska - Miss Koerner

re: - Building of new Church and Manse at Hoonah, Alaska

As you know, the following telegram was received from Mr. Jackman on April ninth:

> "HOONAH BUILDING COSTS FIVE NATIVES WILL RAISE TWO THOUSAND BUT WE MUST GUARANTEE CONTRACT CHANGE AMOUNT TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN THOUSAND"

Then on April 10th we received the following detailed report from Mr. Jackman from Juneau:

> "....Mr. Foss, the architect, has gone ahead with adjustments in the plans for the Church and the house and the contractor will proceed with estimates. These will be ready by the time the Board meeting is over. I have sent you a wire and hope I am not too late. Construction can begin by the middle of May and the job done by Sept. or Oct. The contractors representative is an active Lutheran. He and the contractor have indicated their sympathy for our project and will give us the advantage of any saving in cost which can be effected. The contract price is to cover all necessary materials and all the labor possible within the amount of money we have available. The remaining labor will be left for the Hoonah people to do. I have seen Mr. James Grant of the Hoonah Church and he has agreed to gather the people together and raise as much money as possible. If they have a good season this summer they ought to raise at least $2000. I have told him we need $4,500 more than we will have available if our Board grants us $8000. He will ask them to do as much as possible."

This letter was written on April 6th and the telegram sent on April 7th which will explain the difference asked for between $8000 and $10,000.

When writing Mr. Jackman from the office we felt some word should be sent him about the Hoonah matter and upon being informed the following telegram was sent to Wytaburg where Alaska Presbytery was in session:

> "AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION MISSIONARY OPERATION VOTED FIVE THOUSAND APPROPRIATION FOR HOONAH PER VERBAL INFORMATION BOARD'S OFFICE. BOARD ACTION TO BE TAKEN AND CANNOT GUARANTEE OUTCOME. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MISSIONARY OPERATION MEETS TWENTY-FIFTH BOARD TWENTY-SIXTH AND TWENTY-SEVENTH."

The following telegram has just been received from Mr. Jackman:

> "RIGHT DECISION CABINET. TELL MORSE KOHLER WANT FIVE THOUSAND NOT ADEQUATE."

We are passing this information on to you immediately for your further consideration.

Unit of Work in Alaska
per

FK

Hoonah, reconstruction file

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

April 16, 1945

Mr. Roy M. Hart
32 Court Street
Brooklyn, New York

My dear Mr. Hart:

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum which Mr. Jackman sent Dr. Keeler on March 23rd in regard to the new buildings at Hoonah, Alaska. If we remember correctly, Mr. Jackman conferred with you about this matter before he left for Alaska the latter part of March.

On April 9th we received the following telegram from Mr. Jackman which was sent from Juneau, Alaska on Saturday, April 7th:

"HOONAH BUILDING COSTS HIGH. NATIVES WILL RAISE TWO THOUSAND BUT WE MUST GUARANTEE CONTRACT CHANGE REMAINDER TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN THOUSAND."

Then on April 10th we received the following detailed report from Mr. Jackman in reference to this matter:

".....Mr. Foss, the architect, has gone ahead with adjustments in the plans for the church and the house and the contractor will proceed with estimates. These will be ready by the time the Board meeting is over. I have sent you a wire and hope I am not too late. Construction can begin by the middle of May and the job done by Sept. or Oct. The contractors representative is an active Lutheran. He and the contractor have indicated their sympathy for our project and will give us the advantage of any saving in cost which can be effected. The contract price is to cover all necessary materials and all the labor possible within the amount of money we have available. The remaining labor will be left for the Hoonah people to do. I have seen Mr. James Grant of the Hoonah Church and he has agreed to gather the people together and raise as much money as possible. If they have a good season this summer they ought to raise at least $2000. I have told him we need $4350 more than we will have available if our Board grants us $8000. We will ask them to do as much as possible."

This letter was written on April 6th and the telegram sent on April 7th which will explain the difference asked for between $8000 and $10,000.

When writing Mr. Jackman from the office, we felt that some word should be sent to him about the Hoonah matter and upon being informed the following telegram was sent to him on April 13th at Sydaburg where Alaska Presbytery was in session:

"AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION MISSIONARY OPERATION VOTED FIVE THOUSAND RECOMMENDATION FOR HOONAH PER VERBAL INFORMATION MORSE'S OFFICE. BOARD ACTION TO BE TAKEN AND CANNOT GUARANTEE OUTCOME. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MISSIONARY OPERATION MEETS TWENTY-FIFTH BOARD TWENTY-SIXTH AND TWENTY-SEVENTH."

The following telegram was received from Mr. Jackman today:

"RIGHT DECISION CABINET. TELL MORSE AND HART FIVE THOUSAND NOT ADEQUATE."

We are following out Mr. Jackman's instructions and have sent Dr. Morse and Dr. Keeler a memorandum, and are writing you in detail in reference to this matter for whatever further consideration and action can be given it. If the Board can grant this request from Mr. Jackman it will be most advantageous for the work which we are carrying on in Alaska and especially for the people of Hoonah.

Sincerely yours,

Frieda Koerner, Secretary to
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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Enc. Copy of 3-23-45 memo to Dr. Keeler

April 25, 1945

Statement re: expenditures incurred in reconstruction work at Hoonah, Alaska as reported by Mr. Jackman 4-6-1945 from Juneau, Alaska

Expenditures (Charged to Princeton-Hall Account, Juneau, Alaska):

Princeton-Hall Check #37	...Labor Pd.to Booth.....	$ 77.46
" " " #52	... " " " ".....	38.20
	...Main Sills of Bldg. (U.S.Gov't).....	60.66
	...Hardware, nails, roofing paper.....	15.25
	Columbia Lumber Co.....	73.50
" " " #66A	..Labor Pt. to Booth.....	140.00

Reimbursements (credited to Princeton-Hall Account, Juneau, Alaska):

Bd.'s Check #17282-3-12-45	for labor expenses.....	$200.00
" " #	" expenses Hoonah.....	205.07
		$405.07 $405.07

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Unit of Work in Alaska

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April 30, 1945

DAY LETTER

The Rev. J. Earl Jackman
c/o The Rev. N. Harry Champlin
P. O. Box 2157
Fairbanks, Alaska

Board declined grant additional amount Hoonah. $5000. grant referred back Cabinet for Study and report Executive Committee June. Reason amount excessive for size of community. Morse says make no commitment beyond $24,000. available Newark Church plus insurance. Asks bring back full information concerning building plans construction costs.

Mildred Kidd

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Miss Koerner

APR 30 1945

If possible, will you get word to Mr. Jackman that the Board declined to approve the grant of any additional amount for Hoonah. The recommendation for a grant of $5,000 was referred back to the Cabinet for further study and for report to the Executive Committee in June. The reason was that the total amount seemed to the Board excessive for a community of that size.

Therefore, he should make no commitment beyond the $24,000 available from Second Church, Newark, and from the insurance. Also, he should bring back with him as full information as possible concerning building plans and construction costs.

H. M. M.

Hoonah Construction Letter

June 1, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold B. Foss
H. B. Foss Company
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

Sorry that I was not able to see you on my return through Juneau. I left a message with your secretary asking that you send me the completed plans and estimate of the cost for the Church and manse. She said that the plans for the manse were not complete at the time but you were hoping to finish them soon. After that it would be necessary to get the estimated cost from the Alaska Construction Company.

Unfortunately, I was not able to be present when our Board met. I had asked for an additional $5000 and then changed that request to an amount not to exceed $10,000 so that we would have a margin which would allowus to sign the contract for the construction and still raise the same money from the Hoonah people and other donors which would go into the cost. Without sufficient information and no one here to defend the project the Cabinet recommended only $5000 which recommendation the Board passed only to rescind it the next day because some members of the Board who had been tourists in Alaska and who had got a fleeting glimpse of the old Hoonah did not feel the village was large enough to justify the expenditure of so much money. It is now my responsibility to convince the Board that this project is of such a nature that it warrants the expenditure of more money than we would normally put into a village of that size.

I have talked to a few since my return and the result would seem to indicate that it is possible to convince the Board we should put in more money. In order to do that, however, I will need the plans and the estimated cost from the Construction Company. It has been agreed by Mr. Valle, Mr. Jenkins, and the foreman on the job that the Company will buildthe Church and manse for us at cost.

That statement was made to me by Mr. Valle and the same has come to me through Mr. Prouty from the foreman. This will be a great asset to us but still I have to have a definite statement to present to the Board.

Our Cabinet meets June 12th and the matter must be put into the mill there. It is very important that I have the necessary information by that time. Fortunately we have the pictures which you generously supplied and they will help. We shall await the rest of the information.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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JUN 6 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

3 June 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Your letter of June 1st, 1945 stating the importance of having the information on the Hoonah Church and Manse not later than June 12th, has been received.

For weeks I have been waiting for final figures from the Alaska Construction Company which they have promised to give us not later than June 5th. Plans of the project, together with our cost estimates will be airmailed to you immediately upon receipt of this information.

I regret very much this delay and do hope that it has not caused you too much inconvenience.

During a recent visit to Hoonah, I was greatly pleased with the progress which has been made in cleaning up the Village, filling the tidal slough and clearing additional land and construction of homes which are now in full swing.

There is a great deal of work to be done and we have found the Alaska Construction Company to be entirely competent and business-like in their dealings. Mr. Jenkins has been replaced by Mr. Arthur O. Peterson, whom I believe you met here in the office.

With kindest personal regards.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

Harold B. Foss

Harold B. Foss

HBF/mr

JUN 11 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

5 June 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

We are inclosing herewith one set of plans and specifications for the proposed Church and Manse Buildings at Hoonah, Alaska, together with Proposals for the Church and Manse Buildings received from the Alaska Construction Company.

It appears that the Manse cost exceeds the amount you had set up, however, it was my understanding that you considered it important that this building be as complete as possible. We therefore, requested the Alaska Construction Company to omit painting, site grading and planting of lawn only, as we felt that these items could be handled by the congregation or the minister himself.

You will note that on the Church Addendum millwork and wall board will be furnished but not installed. However, before this work can be done the plumbing and concrete floors must be installed. No material has been allowed for either of these items.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to proceed with these buildings as planned, as we feel that the Village of Hoonah will be greatly benefited by the addition of a nice Church and Manse.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

Harold B. Foss

Harold B. Foss, Architect.

HBF/mr

June 1., 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Henrick Valle
Henrick Valle Company
407 Third West
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mr. Valle:

I look back upon my visit with you and your company officials in Juneau and Hoonah with a good deal of pleasure. It was very gracious of you to offer to build our Church at cost in order that we might have a more adequate Church to serve the people of the new village which it is your privilege to construct. My understanding from you at that time was that you directed your foreman and timekeeper to keep time and material separately on our job and to charge us only the cost.

When I returned from Alaska through Juneau, I had a visit with our missionary on the boat who had just been over to Hoonah for a communion service. He had talked with the foreman and "Doc Wright" about the proposed Church and understood from both of them that you had given directions to build the Church at cost to you. Upon my return here it gave me a great deal of pleasure to report that you had shown yourself such a generous person in cooperating with the villagers and with us in this project.

Two days ago we received the specifications and estimate of cost of construction which indicated a higher cost for both the Church and the house than any of us had anticipated. In light of your offer and our conversation at Hoonah, I sent the following wire to Mr. Foss: "VALLE OFFERED TO CONSTRUCT HOONAH CHURCH AT COST TO COMPANY. IS PROPOSAL STILL GOOD OR NOT? [illegible] APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE." Yesterday we received this wire from him: "ALASKA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FINDS IT IMPOSSIBLE TO [illegible] VALLE WILLING TO WORK ON COST PLUS TEN PERCENT BASIS BUT [illegible] ESTIMATE IF YOU DO SHOULD."

Under this situation it is going to be impossible for us to proceed with the Church and the house. Frankly, I am somewhat let down and am under the embarrassment now of reporting that the Church will have to be built under construction price or at cost plus ten percent. This situation has led me to think that there might be a possibility of some misunderstanding. A word from you will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JMJ:PK
CC Rev. Booth, The Rev. Soboleff, The Rev. Prouty, and The Rev. Swanson

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

JUN 19 1945

MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020

JUNEAU, ALASKA

June 16, 1945

Rev. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Earl:

A few days ago, Mr. Fred Geeslin, Assistant Superintendent of the Office of Alaska Native Service, called my attention to the excavations for gravel which the Territorial Construction Company, Mr. A. B. Hicks, has been, and continues to make on the beach of our property at Hoonah. The Territorial Construction Company is a sub-contractor working under The Alaska Construction Company.

I immediately requested Mr. Arthur E. Glover, Region Engineer for the U. S. Forest Service, who was making a trip to Hoonah to determine damages being done to the shore line along the roadway by a similar excavation made by this Company, to take notes on the excavations along our property.

Attached is a copy of a map on which he has noted in red the location of the excavations. One hole runs from the point of the land back along the slough shore approximately 100 feet in length, and from 20 feet to 30 feet in width, and from 6 feet to 8 feet deep, with approximately 1000 yards of gravel taken. The double red line indicates a road which they have made to the gravel pot. The gravel pot has been dug so close to the bank of our property as to cause considerable damage by destroying the hard-pan surface and causing the underlayer of gravel to give way and the bank to slough in. THIS ENDANGERS THE ENTIRE POINT OF LAND ON WHICH WE PROPOSE TO BUILD THE CHURCH AND MANSE. With the bank being broken after this fashion, the way is immediately laid open for the sea to wash away the entire point of land.

A second gravel pot has been dug further along the shore line indicated by blue. This pot destroys the beach so far as practical use to the Natives is concerned, for it is no longer possible for them to bring up their boats to a dry dock as before without crossing the dangerous pot. Also it endangers the lives of the children who play along

that beach.

To my knowledge, no permit has been requested, and no permit has been granted to procure gravel along our property shore line, either from us or from the War Department. The Territorial Construction Company asked no one about it, but simply took the liberty of taking gravel by tresspass from our property.

Mr. Glover has expressed the serious doubt in his mind as to the advisability of erecting buildings on our property until the excavations have been re-filled and the shore line made secure.

I talked with Mr. Peterson of the Alaska Construction Company, (this is the same Company who has submitted a bid on the erection of our Church and manse), and with Mr. A. B. Hicks. Mr. Hicks stated he intended to refill the pot immediately adjacent to our point land where it has sloughed, but he refused to write me a letter to that effect. I do not trust him, and if we wait until he, Mr. Hicks, has completed his work and moved, it is my opinion we will be "left on the limb." He should be forced to restore and repair all the damages now.

I believe the most satisfactory way to determine the yardage taken from our property is for a surveyor to re-establish the monuments and lines. This will determine how much was taken from our immediate property, and will also establish the fact that all taken was to our damage. The cost of this, I believe, should be added to the total damages.

Attached is a copy of excerpts from the report made by Mr. Fred Geeslin, Assistant Superintendent of the Alaska Native Service, to the Federal Public Housing Authority, which gives a good and accurate picture of the situation.

Mr. Geeslin also reports the Natives of Hoonah vigiorously protested the excavations, but were ignored.

It appears to me to be a case for a lawyer, and it will not surprise me if the Board will have to sue for the damages. Mr. R. E. Robertson, and Mr. H. L. Faulkner, Attorneys in Juneau are Elders in my Church. Mr. Howard D. Stabler is also a good attorney, but not a Presbyterian.

Please advise me what steps you plan to take.

Sincerely yours,

Willis

Willis R. Booth

Church
Manse
Tidal Slough
Road Bridge
U. S. SURVEY Nº 736
U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Public School Site
Lot 1
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Port Frederick
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S 67° 35' E
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Δ 32° 56'
D 20° C L
T 84.7'
L 164.7'
PC 2+31.57
PT 2+71.04
PT 23+13.8
N 40° W
S 40° E
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Partial Subdivision
of
U. S. SURVEY Nº 736
Presbyterian Mission Reserve
Hoonah on Alaska
Scale: 1" = 100'
Copy by E.E. Westhenfelder F.S.

Excerpt taken from letter of Alaska Indian Service of June 14, 1945, to Mr. J. Epstein, Regional Director, Federal Public Housing Authority, 1326 Fifth Avenue, Seattle 1, Washington, and furnished Rev. Willis R. Booth of Presbyterian Church at his request for a report of our findings at Hoonah in connection with the fill materials being acquired for FPHA Project Alas-50080, Hoonah:

"I attended the meeting with the Hoonah people on June 10 and assisted in working out local problems between them and the Contractors. However not until after the meeting was my attention called to the promiscuous manner in which fill materials have been obtained directly adjacent to the Village. As the bridge across the slough was seriously damaged by the fire the Contractors have made a temporary road down the slough where fill materials are being obtained which permits hauling to the FPHA site without crossing the bridge. Fill material is being obtained around the mouth of the slough and eastward approximately 500 feet making a canal approximately 30 feet wide and six feet deep parallel and only a few feet under the mean high tide line. This matter was discussed with Mr. Hickox while I was at Hoonah on June 10 who advised that the place where the fill materials were obtained was not under his premise and that ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ the contract provides that the contractor get necessary permits. Mr. Hickox advised that the 23,000 yards of fill required by the contract was 90% completed and that all of the fill materials had been obtained near the mouth of the slough with the exception of a few hundred yards obtained on the beach in front of the burned area. Two of the Hoonah councilmen called my attention to the manner in which fill materials were being obtained and also reported that they had protested to the Territorial Construction Company men of the areas being used for this purpose, particularly areas which endangered the bulkhead on First Street and the Presbyterian Church property near the mouth of the slough. I was advised that the Hoonah Town Council proposed to make an official protest in this matter at a special meeting this week. Messrs. Cushing of Territorial Construction Company, Stjurm, Hickox, and Peterson advised that the area used to acquire fill materials would be leveled upon completion of the job. Mr. Peterson saw Mr. Hicks, Manager of the Territorial Construction Company, regarding his permit to acquire fill materials and reported that he had obtained fill materials previously under mean high tide without the usual War Department permits which he did not believe was necessary. As U. S. Survey No. 736, Presbyterian Mission Reserve, includes a majority of the tide flats at the mouth of the slough where fill materials are being obtained, and Mr. Hicks admits having taken too much materials on the point below the Church site which has caused sloughing of the ground above high tide into the pit, we have called this matter to the attention of Presbyterian Authorities who advised that no permit has been obtained from them to acquire fill materials from their land or immediately adjacent thereto. As the Forest Service assume responsibility of maintaining the road in Hoonah they sent one of their engineers to Hoonah today to look over the situation to insure that the bulkhead on First Street will not be endangered by the removal of too much fill materials from the beach adjacent thereto. About four years ago the Forest ~~and~~ Service had a CCC Project in Hoonah to fill the slough within the Village. At that time an area was cleared within one mile of the Village of sufficient size to obtain ample fill materials for filling the Hoonah slough, but very little fill was made before the project was discontinued at the start of the war. The fill material could have been obtained very easily from this site with power shovel, with the use of the questionable bridge. We will furnish you a copy of the report of the Forest Service engineer upon receipt of same. The tide lands at the mouth of the slough are used regularly by the Hoonah people in dry-docking their boats on cradles for repairs, children play on this beach at low tide and the present pot holes could result in death by accidental drowning, and the Indian Service community boat shop site has been materially affected.

Recommendations: Have the contractors give definite assurance that they will level the areas used for obtaining fill materials, eliminating all pot holes and bull-dozing ample

(Over)

materials up against the upper side of the cuts made near the high tide line to prevent further sloughing of the lands affected and provide reasonable grade approach to the beach by the Hoonah people. Also to provide adequate protection to the bulkhead on First Street as may be determined necessary."

JUN 20 1945

SEATTLE EXPORT OFFICE:
PHONE ALDER 1860
P. O. BOX 4096--INTERBAY STATION
SEATTLE 99, WASHINGTON

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO JUNEAU OFFICE

ALASKA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
GENERAL CONTRACTORS
P. O. BOX 141
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Seattle, Washington
June 18, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I have your letter of June 14th and it is indeed unfortunate that this misunderstanding has occurred.

The reason I suggested that the church and manse be constructed on a cost plus 10% basis was that I felt it would be fairer to you, inasmuch as if competitive lump sum bids were requested, practically all competition would be eliminated in view of the location of the project and the fact that our company was already on the site. I did not at any time intend to convey the impression that we would be willing to construct the church and manse at cost to us, as it is impossible for us to eliminate overhead and profit items in view of our high overhead costs.

I regret I have caused you the embarrassment of reporting to your Church that we cannot do the work at cost, but at no time did I intend to give this impression. I still believe it would be to your advantage to have the work done on a cost plus 10% basis, and if you decide to have the work done we should be given order to proceed as soon as possible in order that construction of the church and manse can progress along with the housing project construction.

Yours very truly,

Henrik Valle

v/s

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PRESIDENT

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TODAY

JUNE 19, 1945

HOWARD D. STAHLER, ESQ.
JUNEAU, ALASKA

PLEASE RESTRAIN TERRITORIAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SUB-CONTRACTORS FROM REMOVING GRAVEL FROM OUR HOONAH PROPERTY. THIS CONCERN IS TRESPASSING. LETTER FOLLOWS AIR MAIL.

L.H. Tribus

Unit of Building Aid

June 19, 1945

Howard D. Stabler, Esq.
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Stabler:

As you have rendered valuable service to us in the past, I am now calling upon you to act in the capacity as attorney for us in what appears to be a very delicate situation.

This office has been advised by the Rev. Willis R. Booth, pastor of the Northern Light Presbyterian Church, that the Territorial Construction Company, sub-contractors working under the Alaska Construction Company, have, without any authorization, been removing gravel from our Hoonah property.

In order that you may be fully posted, I am enclosing herein a copy of Dr. Booth's letter dated June 16, 1945.

The Alaska Construction Company, as you probably know, is the concern that is to build our new church and manse. Nevertheless, neither this concern nor the Territorial Construction Company have a right to the gravel which they have unlawfully removed. In our opinion, they should compensate the Board for the amount of gravel taken and also restore the premises to the condition in which they were before the gravel was removed.

We wish to cooperate in a thoroughly friendly spirit with all of the local people and therefore, ask that you investigate this matter thoroughly and advise this office as soon as possible before taking any active legal steps. As soon as I have received your opinion, I shall immediately confer with Dr. Earl Jackman, who is the head in charge of our Alaskan work and will notify you of his opinion.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lucien H. Tribus
Assistant General Counsel

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Hoonah
Presbyterian Church

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

June 21, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. Willis R. Booth
Box 3020
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Willis:

Thank you for being on the alert and notifying us promptly of the situation which is caused by the Territorial Construction Company on our property at Hoonah. We took this matter up with Mr. Tribus our Staff Attorney for proper action. Mr. Tribus indicated that Mr. Faulkner being in the States had turned over his practice to Mr. Stabler, and already a communication had been made through him for some other work.

The following telegram was sent to Mr. Stabler:

"PLEASE RESTRAIN TERRITORIAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SUB-CONTRACTORS FROM REMOVING GRAVEL FROM OUR HOONAH PROPERTY. THIS CONCERN IS TRESPASSING. LETTER FOLLOWS AIR MAIL."

Later a letter enclosing a copy of your report to us was forwarded by airmail. Mr. Tribus pointed out that we wanted to cooperate in a thoroughly friendly spirit with the contractors and local people but the Territorial Company is actually trespassing on our property. He asked Mr. Stabler to make an investigation and give us a report before any legal action may be contemplated.

From your letter, I would conclude that Mr. Peterson from the Alaska Construction Company desires that everything should be done in order but the fault may lie with Mr. Hicks.

I was somewhat let down when I received the bid from the Alaska Construction Company on the Church and manse. The price is very high and the Board may not approve. We are trying to get through the Board the possibility of proceeding with the Church only at cost plus ten per cent not exceeding an amount of possibly $25,000 or $26,000. We would try to rent a house for George Betts in the new development and then build our manse at a later time when costs are down and we can do it more reasonably.

Thank you again for all your help. Also express our appreciation to Mr. Fred Geeslin for his interest and concern for our welfare in Hoonah. They are giving us fine cooperation.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

P.S. The Board has authorized the removal of the garage on the Auk Lake property.

Hoonah Reconstruction File

June 21, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold E. Foss
H. E. Foss Company
P.O. Box 2423
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

We have just finished the meeting of our Board and are now trying to clear up the situation in regard to the building project in Hoonah.

We have had a recent report that the Territorial Construction Company has trespassed on our property in Hoonah and has dug gravel pits so near the edge of the line that the land has been slipping into the water. Our legal department has asked Mr. Stabler of Juneau to restrain the Territorial Construction Company from proceeding further and to make an investigation concerning the damages and report to us before any action is contemplated. We have done this without prejudice simply to protect our rights. From the report we have, I would conclude that Mr. Peterson of the Alaska Construction Company believed that every permit and arrangement in connection with this excavation had been cleared in good faith. We hope we have not done anything to delay the Alaska Construction Company and certainly want to give evidence of our good feeling toward them.

The report which we had indicated there was a possibility that our land was not safe now and we should not proceed with the construction of the Church. We shall want to investigate this further and be sure of it before any forward action is begun.

Our Board feels that we cannot provide the funds for the construction of a Church and manse at the present time. A small grant was made in addition to what we already have available to proceed with the construction of the Church only.

In addition to your telegram from Mr. Peterson about the method of proceeding, I had written to Mr. Valle telling him that I was under the impression the Company would do it under cost to the Board. He replied that he did not intend to give this impression but intended to say to us that they would do it at cost plus ten percent. I quote from his letter: "I still believe it would be to your advantage to have the work done on a cost plus ten per cent basis". In accordance with this statement we are

returning to you the proposals for the lump sum and will ask you to draw up a different kind of contract.

We would ask you to draw up a contract specifying the procedure of cost plus ten per cent in the construction of the Church and set the ceiling price at $25,000. You will prepare an addendum which will eliminate by preference the things which can not go in if the cost of construction would exceed the $25,000. You in conference with our Committee there would make the choice of the things which you feel could least be spared in an incomplete project.

When this contract is prepared please send it to us and we will turn it over to our legal and treasury departments which is authorized by the Board to sign such contracts for us.

We are also in process of preparing a statement which would ask you to arrange for the fire and liability insurance which are indicated in the specifications as our responsibility. Our Insurance Department feels that it would be best to place these policies locally so that you could give them information when additional insurance should be placed as the project develops. Copies of the policies should be sent to us along with the cost of the premiums.

We are arranging for our Committee in Juneau to act for us in the choice of materials wherever indicated in the specifications and to make decisions which are necessary on the grounds. We shall plan to deposit in the Juneau bank the amount which we set as the ceiling price at the call of The Rev. Mr. Booth who can pay the contractor under your direction as the work proceeds.

We find it necessary to forego the manse at present. We shall take steps to apply for the rental of a house in the new project for our minister until such time as we can secure the funds for the construction of a house on our own property. This might be possible next year or we may have to delay indefinitely.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FE

Encl: 2 copies Proposals and Addendum re: Mountain Church
" " " " " " Manse

cc: The Rev. Willis J. South, The Rev. Walter Soboleff, The Rev. Paul H. Prouty, The Rev. Fenno Swanson, Mr. Albert W. Peterson, Mr. Heurich Valle

To be placed at the end of Article 4

It being understood and agreed by the parties hereto that the entire total cost, including the contractor's fee as set forth in this article and including all other costs and charges as set forth in this contract, shall not exceed the total sum of Twenty Six Thousand Dollars ($26,000.00).

JUN 28 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

25 June 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Today we had a meeting of your Juneau Committee, Messrs, Willis Booth, Walter Soboleff and Paul Prouty, together with Messrs. Henrick Valle and Arthur Peterson of the Alaska Construction Company. The Construction Agreement for the Hoonah Church was discussed in detail and approved by all present. Mr. Valle of the Alaska Construction Company has signed the Agreement in triplicate and we will forward all copies to Dr. Blende, partner in the Alaska Construction Company who resides in Seattle, Washington. Dr. Blende will airmail all copies to your office in New York after signing.

If everything is satisfactory, please have all copies signed, retain the original and return the two copies to this office. Starting date for the project has been tenatively set for August 1st and it was estimated that the project could be completed by the first of November. It was thoroughly understood that $26,000 is to be the ceiling price and deductable items were discussed, should the funds be exhausted before the completion of the entire project. It was agreed that finishing of the basement, interior painting and plumbing in the basement were items which could be left for future completion.

I regret that you are unable to proceed with the construction of the manse, however, it is possible that by next year costs will be less than they are at the present time and certainly better plumbing fixtures and trim will be available.

Mr. Valle and Mr. Peterson plan a trip to Hoonah tomorrow and have promised to make a personal investigation of the property to determine whether any damage has been done as a result of the Territorial Construction Company operations near your property. Reports from Mr. Antrim, Engineer from this office, indicate that the matter is not serious and there is not the remotest danger as far as the church is concerned, since the excavation on the beach was made near the point which is more than a hundred feet back of the church building.

Mr. Valle has expressed his appreciation of your good feeling toward his Company and I am sure that any possible damage to the property will be made good.

Very truly yours,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

Harold B. Foss

Harold B. Foss, Architect

HBF/mr
cc: Rev. Mr. Willis Booth
Rev. Mr. Walter Soboleff
Rev. Mr. Paul Prouty
Mr. Henrick Valle

Hoonah
Presbyterian Builder

JUN 28 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

June 27, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, 10, New York

Dear Sir:

We have just received approval from the War Production Board authorizing construction of the church at Hoonah, Alaska. Preference rating is AA-3, with an allotment symbol F-6, serial No. 13-1-5605, and expiration date set for June 30th, 1946. There were no exceptions to our application.

Yours very truly,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By: Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss, Architect

HBF:LG

June 29, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Harold B. Foss
H.B. Foss Company
P.O. Box 2423
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

We are glad to learn that all of you had such a satisfactory meeting together over the matter of the Hoonah Church. Our Board here has opened the way for us to proceed with the building of the Church only and the Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark, New Jersey has been interviewed and are ready with the funds as we proceed with the construction.

You indicated in your letter of June twenty-fifth that it is thoroughly understood that $26,000. is to be the ceiling price with certain items deducted if this ceiling price will not cover the cost of the whole project. When the three copies of the contract arrived with the letter from Mr. Blende of Seattle, we discovered that the ceiling price was not stated in the contract. For myself, knowing the people with whom we are dealing, I feel it would not be necessary but our Legal Department feels that this ought to be included in the contract so that the entire picture of arrangements will be gathered together over the signatures of the officers of the Company and the Board of National Missions.

For this reason, we are returning the three copies to you with the request that Article 4 on Page 2 be amended as follows:

> "It being understood and agreed by the parties hereto that the entire total cost, including the contractor's fee as set forth in this article and including all other costs and charges as set forth in this contract, shall not exceed the total sum of Twenty Six Thousand Dollars ($26,000.00)."

If all parties concerned are agreeable it would seem to me that this clause could be inserted at the end of Article 4 and just this one page of the contract retyped. When this is completed, the three copies should be returned to us for signature and final approval.

We shall then have everything cleared to begin the project as of August first as indicated.

We have received your bill for the architect's fees and would ask one question in regard to it. When we talked about the construction of the house we named the figure of $3000. and this is the figure upon which you have based the fee. The actual estimate by the Construction Company is $3300. in excess of the stated figure which has caused our Board to refuse to proceed at present with the construction of the house. We are unable at the present time to use the drawings and specifications which you have prepared for it because of the excess cost.

We raise the question now with you concerning the fee on the plans for the house. At our direction you prepared drawings and specifications. The net result is that the cost is so far in excess of the stated figure that we are unable to use them. We recognize that we have an obligation to you for work which has been done well by you but, on the other hand, we are unable to use at present what you have prepared. May we have from you a suggestion as to what compensation you feel would be fair under this situation?

We shall hope to hear from you in the near future regarding the amendment to the contract for the Church, and your statement in regard to the fee for the house. We are glad that all these matters are clearing and that we shall have some assurance of proceeding with the work at an early date.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:fk

Enc.: 3 copies of Construction Agreement dated June 25, 1945
(5 pages to the copy)
with attached letter from L.J.Blonde dated June 27, 1945

CC: The Rev. Willis R. Booth, The Rev. Walter Soboleff, The Rev. Paul M. Prouty, and The Rev. Verne Dunneon

PHONE 107

BOX 2623

JUL 5 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

ARCHITECTS

JUNEAU, ALASKA

IN ACCOUNT WITH Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in
The United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue - New York, N. Y.

DATE
July 2, 1945

Accounts Payable by Tenth of Month

Preparation of plans, specifications, and general supervision during construction of Hoonah Church, Hoonah, Alaska. Total cost 5% of $27,000.00 estimated cost.

3% of $27,000.00 estimated cost due on completion of
plans and specifications $810.00

Balance of 2% due on completion of Contract.

Preparation of plans and specifications for Manse,
2½% of $8,000.00 (Owner's allowance for building) 200.00

No further charge, as project not to be built at this time.

~~$~~1010.00
1010.00

Boston Library
& others
1010.00
4 PT

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

JUL 10 1945
MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020
JUNEAU, ALASKA

July 2, 1945

Rev. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Earl:

Enclosed are the cheques issued by me on the dismantling and reconstructing of the Community building and temporary dwelling at Hoonah, This work was done in co-operation with the Office of Indian Affairs.

With one exception, these cheques represent the pay roll. The one exception is for foundation timbers purchased through the Alaskan Department, U. S. Army, Engineer Area Officer, Juneau.

A part of the pay roll paid to Sam Johnson, and his three sons, Walter, Herbert, and Wilber was not paid by cheques, but out of the first pay cheque you sent to Sam Johnson as a lay worker in the fall of 1944 and for which Sam rendered little or no services.

I believe you will find the cheques self-explanatory. If not, I will be glad to answer your questions.

Sincerely yours,

Willis

Willis R. Booth

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020
JUNEAU, ALASKA

This is to certify that I was employed in the dismantling of two double and one single Yakatat huts at Juneau Alaska, the same to be reassembled at Hoonah for use of the Lay Worker of the Presbyterian Church, and that I labored for fifteen hours at the rate of $1.00 per hour; and that I have received in cash for my labors the sum of $15.00, from the Presbyterian Church U. S. A. This work was done on December 13-16, 1944.

Samuel K. Johnson.
Walter Johnson.
Herbert Johnson.
Wilbert Johnson.

The above $60.00 was paid in cash by Sam Johnson to self and sons from his first Layworker salary Cheque received in November 1944.

Willis R. Booth

Account of Willis Booth.

Received
Sam Johnson 60 ~~45~~.
Paul Prouty 405.07
465.07

Ck #20507 $405.07
17282 - 200
405.07
56.76
461.83

Paid.
Sam Johnson & Sons. 60.00
Jake Crosley et al 100.77
" et al 71.78
" " 140.00
Lumber " 60.66
433.21
Withholding Tax. 9.40
442.61

Pd. labor. 172.55
140.
312.55

Prouty.
115.66 Ad. labor.
15.25 Hdwe.
73.50
204.41

Prouty.
77.46 B.
38.20 B.
140.00 B.
60.66 Lumber. Govt.
73.50 Col Lum.
15.25 Hdwe.
405.07
56.76 Labor.
461.83

26.50 Thomas Hdwe.
66.15 Columbia Lumber.

To Booth.
77.46
38.20
140.-
255.66
56.76
312.42

P. to B.
77.46
38.20
140.00
56.76
$312.42 La
60.66 Lum.
373.08
15.25 Hdwe.
73.50 Colum. Lum.
461.83
26.50 Hdwe, Thomas Co.
66.15 Lum, Columbia Co.
554.48

B. to
100.77 incl Tax
71.78
140.00
312.55 L.
60.66
373.21

Thomas owes Boat Fund.
56.76 Labor
26.50 Hdwe.
66.15 Columbia Lum.
Total. $149.41

Ck #31013 and Hdwe

PART II

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH U. S. A.
BOARDS - BENEVOLENCE INDEX SYNODS - 1941
Based on Current Receipts

J. P. G.
Gen.Council
156-5th Ave.
New York

SYNODS ABOVE AVERAGE

Synods	Current Receipts	Boards Benevol.	Boards Benevol.Index	Synods	Current Receipts	Boards Benevol.	Boards Benevol.Index
Penn.	5447006	1242824	22.8	W. Va.	201084	37093	18.4
Calif.	1630315	326568	20.0	Ky.	204047	37291	18.3
Tenn.	241496	47405	19.6	Ill.	1888225	343899	18.2
Mo.	691842	130424	18.9	N. J.	2488126	434487	17.5

Presbyterian Church Index Average 17.3

SYNODS BELOW AVERAGE

Synods	Current Receipts	Boards Benevol.	Boards Benevol.Index	Synods	Current Receipts	Boards Benevol.	Boards Benevol.Index
Kan.	560531	95584	17.1	N. Mex.	64660	8758	13.5
Minn.	661708	113306	17.1	Ariz.	73029	9183	12.6
Miss.	19474	3260	16.7	Wash.	463973	57700	12.4
Okla.	386389	63498	16.4	Mont.	102175	12611	12.3
Ohio	2297520	372282	16.2	N.Eng.	268298	32847	12.2
Ind.	868892	145425	16.2	Tex.	446041	52924	11.9
Balt.	871536	138817	15.9	Atl.	34040	4019	11.8
Col.	297417	46495	15.6	N. Dak.	117296	13870	11.8
Utah	25016	3797	15.2	S. Dak.	106182	12074	11.4
Wis.	508612	76958	15.1	Fla.	131809	14885	11.3
Mich.	1188190	176087	14.8	Ida.	83434	9268	11.1
N. Y.	4513116	660025	14.6	Cataw.	67997	6576	9.7
Oreg.	248796	35608	14.3	Canad.	8958	820	9.2
W. Ger.	86747	12352	14.2	Ala.	87985	7841	8.9
Bl.Ridge	11486	1602	13.9	Ark.	54815	4929	9.0
Iowa	799000	111426	13.9	Wyom.	56823	3921	6.9
Neb.	391268	52762	13.5	Cam.	14582	0	-

Hoonah Construction Folder

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

July 3, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Howard B. Stabler
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Stabler:

Mr. Reitus has shared with us your letter in regard to developments under the Territorial Construction Company at Hoonah. We appreciate this information which gives us assurance that no real damage has been done to the property on which we propose to build our Church.

Since writing to you and receiving your letter, we have heard also from the Alaska Construction Company and Mr. Foss the architect. Mr. Wolle and Mr. Peterson of the Company have given assurance that they believe no real damage has been done and they will personally inspect the property and be sure that everything will be alright. We do not desire any litigation unless it is absolutely necessary. We will ask Mr. Foss to get a statement from his engineer, Mr. Patrin, as to whether or not any gravel has been taken from our property. On the basis of this report, we will then know how to proceed.

If we have further information at this end which demands action, we shall immediately communicate with you or if you receive such information up there we will appreciate hearing from you. Meanwhile, to the best of our knowledge the project is developing in a regular way.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

CC Mr. Tebbe
Mr. Coe

Memorandum July 5, 1945

To - - Mr. L. H. Tribus
From - Dr. J. Earl Jackman

We are attaching to this memo three copies of the Construction Agreement between the Alaska Construction Company of Juneau and the Board of National Missions for the construction of our Church at Hoonah. You will notice on page two that the clause has been added to Article four as agreed upon.

So far as I can see in reading over this Agreement everything is now in order. For a further check you may want to go over the Agreement in connection with the drawings and specifications so we are sending them also. May we ask you to give it consideration as early as possible, have the three Agreements signed by the proper officers of our Board, and return two of them to our office so that we may return them to the Company in Alaska?

We shall arrange for a method of payments to the Company. The Second Church of Newark has agreed to go ahead with the project and will want some little notice when they are called upon to furnish funds. They desire not to furnish the full amount in the beginning but to pay as the need arises to save as much interest as possible on their loan.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Att.: 3 copies of Construction Company for signatures
1 copy Specifications and drawings

Juneau Fowler file

July 11, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. H. D. Foss
c/o H.D. Foss Company
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

We are enclosing the two signed copies of the construction contract with the Alaska Construction Company for our Church at Toonah. These have been signed by the proper officers of our Board and we have kept the third copy of the agreement for our records here.

We understand that all matters have been cleared with the proper understanding among all parties concerned and the construction can begin as soon as possible but not later than August 1st. We understand the work of the Construction Company will be completed by November.

We have also received your bill for architectural purposes on the basis of 3% of $27,000. estimated cost due at present, and 2½% of a projected cost of $30000. for the preparation of plans and specifications for the manse which will not be built at this time. This amount totals $1010. We are asking our Treasury Department to make out a check to you for this amount. We believe that you have been fair in the amount of your bill in the light of circumstances surrounding the developments of this project.

We are planning to place in the hands of The Rev. Willis A. Booth, Chairman of our Committee on the Toonah Church, the sum of $12,000. on August first so that funds will be on hand to pay for the project as it develops. The Second Church of Newark, New Jersey desires to advance funds as they are needed so that they will not be required to pay any more interest on their loan than necessary. Consequently, we are asking them to make available to us, so that we can forward to The Rev. Mr. Booth, the sum of $5000. on September first, another $5000. on October first, and the remaining $2000. on November first. So far as we can see this program should make possible the payments to the Construction Company as work progresses. If you anticipate that this program will not make the proper provision, we will be glad to have your suggestion now.

You will notice that the amounts given above total $27,000. which is $1000. above the ceiling price which we have agreed upon for the project. We are advancing this amount to cover any unforeseen items but we still would emphasize the ceiling which is included in the contract. There will be other items such as chairs and a small amount of equipment which will have to be provided for and these can be paid for up there or down here as the situation develops.

We shall ask you to make provision with a local agent for the fire insurance which is required on page two of your specifications. Add to the face of the insurance at intervals as the project progresses always being careful to have an adequate amount of insurance on the project on these stated intervals. The Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. a New York corporation should appear in the policy as the insured, and a copy of the legal policy together with the notice of the endorsement made from time to time inserted therein should be sent to us in the office. The local insurance company should bill us direct for this insurance because it will be handled through our regular insurance department and the cost of it will not be made a part of the cost of this project.

Under the heading Contractor's Liability Insurance, we would also ask you to contact a local insurance agency to cover this particular item under the same conditions with the bills sent direct to us at the office. In this policy also the Board should be insured as the owner so that it will be protected and indemnified as the result of injuries occurring to the contractors, sub-contractors, and innocent bystanders either on the premises or on premises adjacent thereto. The limits of said policy could be at least $100,000. to $300,000.

There are several items in the specifications which call for a decision by the owner on the ground. Wherever these are required for color of linoleum or such items the local committee would represent us. If there should be any radical change of construction or difference of policy such questions should be referred to the New York office.

On a second examination of the plans which you have drawn up there are one or two small items which come to my mind. It is my impression that no provision has been made in the kitchen of the Church for a serving window. My impression is that the door has been provided but it could seem better to have a serving window also. Perhaps this already has occurred to you and has been cared for. We feel that such a provision should be made. As soon as opportunity presents itself, I shall go over the plans again and see if there are any other such small items where changes ought to be made.

Sooner or later we ought to be considering pews for the sanctuary. If you have any suggestion about a company where these can be procured within a reasonable limit of distance from Neenah, we would be glad to have you make such a suggestion. We also ought to be clear upon the final finish of the sanctuary so that our pews could be finished in conformity with the interior. It may not be possible for us to secure pews for sometime to come. Meanwhile, it will be necessary for us to get a number of folding chairs which could be used in the sanctuary at the start and later in the Sunday school room and basement.

We would appreciate having from you a report from Mr. Antrim whether or not the Territorial Construction Company removed any gravel from our property. Also tell us what adjustment has been made towards repairing the damage which has been pointed out in digging these gravel pits.

We feel that our project is in good hands with you and the Alaska Construction Company. We trust that everything will move forward smoothly and that we will have a fine Church which will be a credit to all concerned.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jamison, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

CC: The Rev. Willis R. Booth
The Rev. Paul Prouty
The Rev. Walter Soboleff
The Rev. Vernie Swanson

Enc.2 signed copies of Construction Agreement

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

July 11, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. Willis R. Booth
Box 3020
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Willis:

From the enclosed letter to Mr. Foss you will see that we have tried to make adequate provision for the development of the project at Hoonah. We shall take care of Mr. Foss's fee from here and will make available to you the amount specified in his letter according to the schedule.

We are not making it public but will say to you that we are making provision for $27,000. with the idea that when we near the end of construction and find the cost is not going to be too high or that something essential could or should be done by the Construction Company, we can extend the ceiling from $26,000. to $27,000. We have enough money in sight for that but we shall not disclose this information to anyone at present.

Meanwhile, we are writing to Elder Grant at Hoonah laying before him the necessity of the people of Hoonah making a substantial contribution toward their Church. We shall hope that they may raise at least $2000. this Fall. If they can do that it will ease our financial situation on the Church.

I have insisted to the Board and they have finally voted to proceed with the Church in the hope of getting the basement for recreation facilities along with the sanctuary and Sunday school. The high cost of construction eliminates a manse at present. It may be possible in two or three years we can pick up our plan to have an adequate house there. Meanwhile, we would like to ask you to investigate with the Office of Indian Affairs the possibility of renting one of the new homes for George Betts and his wife this Fall. George is anxiously looking forward to his work in Hoonah and we need to make adequate provision for him if possible. Our minister at Hoonah was a Native when the fire occurred and the new homes are for Natives. On the grounds of a Native minister again, it may be possible they will allow us to rent one of the new homes until such time as we can afford to build a manse.

We are wondering if you have notified the women at Klukwan that we expect Cyrus Peck to move into our house there about the middle of September. Dan Katzeek agreed to this at Presbytery and Paul Prouty is making arrangements to use the Princeton-Hall to move him. We hope this can be straightened out without further complications, and on the basis of past experiences a notification to the women to vacate should come from you.

Hope you are having a good summer.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Hoonah
Insurance Order

July 17, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. H. B. Foss
c/o H. B. Foss Company
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Foss:

We are enclosing the check from our Treasury Department for the sum of $1010. This represents architectural services covering the preparation of the plans for the project at Hoonah. It includes 3% of $27,000. the estimated cost of the Church and 2½% of $8,000. the estimated cost of the manse.

It is understood that the remaining 2% on the preparation of the plans for the Church will be due upon the completion of the contract and that the manse will not be built at this time but the plans remain in our hands.

We trust that arrangements are going forward at your end to begin the construction of the Church. We have high hopes of having a fine Church in this village.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Enc. Ck. #30249-$1010.

Hoonah Record File

JUL 23 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

July 19, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church
in the United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Thank you for the check in the amount of $1,010.00, which we received from you this morning. The Alaska Construction Company has been instructed to proceed with the construction of the church at Hoonah, as per the enclosed copy of our letter to them, and we are sure you will be well pleased with the church upon its completion.

Yours very truly,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By: Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss, Architect

HBF:LG

JUL 23 1945

July 20, 1945

Alaska Construction Company
Box 141
Juneau, Alaska

Gentlemen:

You are hereby instructed to proceed with the construction of the Presbyterian Church at Hoonah, Alaska, not later than August 1st, 1945, and to carry it through to completion under the terms of your contract as promptly as possible.

Yours very truly,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By: _____
Harold B. Foss, Architect

HBF:LG

CC: Mr. J. Earl Jackman
Rev. Willis R. Booth
" Walter Soboleff
" Paul Prouty
" Verne Swanson

Hoonah Presb. Ch.

JUL 23 1945

H. B. FOSS COMPANY
ARCHITECTS
JUNEAU, ALASKA

July 20, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church
in the United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Re: Presbyterian Church,
Hoonah, Alaska

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Your letter of July 11th with two signed copies of the construction contract for the above reference project has been received. One signed copy has been forwarded to the Alaska Construction Company, and we are retaining the second copy in this office.

Your proposed method of handling payments to the contractor through the Rev. Willis R. Booth of Juneau, will be entirely satisfactory.

We have asked the Juneau Insurance Company to take care of the fire insurance and Owner's liability insurance as requested. They will correspond with you directly. It was suggested by Mr. Grummett of the Juneau Insurance Company, and the General Contractor, that the Alaska Construction Company carry their own liability insurance and furnish proof of such coverage, since they have a blanket policy for all their work in the Territory. The limit of their policy is $50,000.00 to $100,000.00. I shall secure proper proof from the Alaska Construction Company regarding their coverage and forward the information to your office.

The small serving window mentioned in your letter and items requiring decision by the Owner will be attended to as suggested.

It will be possible to have pews for the sanctuary built in Juneau, and I will give this further consideration in the near future.

The only gravel removed from your property at Hoonah was on the beach, well below the building site. As far as I can see, no damage will result to the building site. The Alaska Construction Company have assured me that the property will be left in first class shape, and have agreed to pay the transportation

JUL 23 1941

of Mr. Booth to Hoonah for the purpose of making an inspection at any time that he wishes to go. In this regard, I believe it would be wise for me to accompany Mr. Booth if he cares to go over, so that we can give you a detailed report on conditions as we find them.

Yours very truly,

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

By: Harold B. Foss
Harold B. Foss, Architect

HBF:LG

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America

156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

July 24, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. Willis R. Booth
Box 3020
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Willis:

We are forwarding to you two checks amounting to $12,000. which are the initial funds for the construction of the Church at Hoonah.

As you know from other correspondence, we are sending the larger amount of money from the Board at the beginning so that there will be sufficient funds available for payments to the Alaska Construction Company as the work progresses. Mr. Foss is to authorize the payments each time upon a report from the company through him to you. We have arranged with the officers of the Second Church of Newark to forward funds to us at the beginning of September, October, and November which should be sufficient to cover the cost of the project as it develops.

Mr. Foss has reported to us that Alaska Construction Company is willing to pay the cost of your transportation to Hoonah to see that our property is in good condition after the excavation.

Mr. Foss has also indicated that it is possible to construct pews for the Hoonah Church in Juneau. He will give us some information later on this particular part of it. We have asked for money in the supplementary budget next year to cover the cost of furnishings in the Church but have no assurance that we can get it. If the money does come we would want to be ready to authorize the construction of the pews and have some idea of their cost. Many of these things will have to be worked out as the project progresses over the summer.

We hope that you will have a good summer and all things will go well for you and Hoonah.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:EK
Enc. Ck.s #31928-$5,000.
#31929-$7,000.

Miss Helen F. Wendel
Dr. J. Earl Jackman

July 21, 1945

Ck #31929

Please send to our office a check for $7000. from the Noorah Insurance Fund and another check for $5000. which is a transfer from the Loan A Fund for the new church at Noonah. These checks should be made payable to The Rev. Willis R. Booth.

Ck #31928

The one from the Noonah Insurance Fund has been authorized by the Board at a previous meeting. The one for $5000 was authorized at the April meeting as a transfer from Loan A Fund and was authorized to be paid for the Noonah Church at the June meeting of the Board. We are placing these in the hands of Mr. Booth, Resident Agent of the Board in Juneau, to be used for payments on the new Church as the work progresses. These payments are to be authorized by the architect at certain points of progress.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

"Insure and Be Sure"

STANLEY V. GRUMMETT, MANAGER JUNEAU, ALASKA

August 1, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board National Missions
Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., Inc.
156 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

General Insurance Company of America
Policy No. F-5159

Dear Sir:

I have enclosed the above captioned fire insurance policy in the amount of $6,000 covering the Presbyterian Church Building at Hoonah, Alaska under course of construction. This insurance is effective August 1, 1945 for a term of three years.

The order for this insurance came from Mr. H. B. Foss, of the H. B. Foss Company at Juneau. Effective on September 1st. an additional $10,000 is to be written covering the same risk, and on October 1st. another $10,000 will apply, making a total of $26,000, all written on a three year basis.

Also, effective August 1, 1945, in accordance with instructions received from Mr. Foss, an Owner's Protective Liability and Property Damage cover is in force. The policy limits are ~~$50,000/$100,000~~ $100,000/200,000. This policy will be forwarded to you as soon as received from the company.

I have also attached an invoice for the above mentioned $6,000 fire insurance policy, and I trust the enclosures will be found in order.

Very truly yours,

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

By Stanley V. Grummett

H Dawson retaining policy 8/21

Miss Hammond of the Territorial Board of this Diocese

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

TO Miss Dawson's Office
FROM S.S. Missions DATE AUG. 8, 1945.
RE: Insurance

Attached is fire insurance bill for church in Hoonah, Alaska. Is it OK to pay this?

AIR MAIL

Aug. 10, 1945.

Stanley V. Crummett, Manager
Juneau Insurance Company,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find our treasurer's check #32904 in the amount of $120.00, in payment of $6000.00 fire insurance policy # F-5159 of the General Insurance Co. of America. This policy covers the Presbyterian Church building, in course of construction, at Hoonah, Alaska and is effective August first 1945, for a term of three years.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Sunday School Missions and Alaska.

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JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

"Insure and Be Sure"

STANLEY V. GRUMMETT, MANAGER JUNEAU, ALASKA

September 1, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board National Missions
Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., Inc.
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Rhode Island Insurance Company
Policy No. 2-1253

Dear Sir:

9/13/45 ml Miss Davidson Policy on file Insurance Dept.

Thank you for your letter of August 10, enclosing your check #32904 in the amount of $120. in payment of premium on General Insurance Company Policy #F-5159.

9/13/45 ml Miss Davidson Policy on file Insurance Department

I recently mailed you General Insurance Company Policy No. LOLT-90852 covering Owner's Protective Liability and Property Damage Liability for the church under construction at Hoonah, Alaska.

I have enclosed the above captioned fire insurance policy in the amount of $10,000 covering the church building under course of construction at Hoonah in accordance with the original plan of attaching $10,000 on September 1st and another $10,000 on October 1st, making a total of $26,000 for three years.

I trust the enclosures will be found in order.

Very truly yours,

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

By Stanley V. Grummett

Home Department

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

September 14, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. Willis R. Booth
Box 3020
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Willis:

We are enclosing a check for $5000. which is the first payment of the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark, New Jersey on the new Church at Hoonah. We shall ask you to add this to the amount already forwarded to be used as a reserve on the payments for construction as it progresses.

I have just returned from a long absence and find in the pile a new insurance policy from the company adding additional protection to the building as it develops. George Betts has written that the Church has not been started yet because of the shortage of labor. May we ask you to notify the Insurance Company to cancel this additional insurance and hold it until word comes from Mr. Foss that the building is far enough advanced to warrant the additional policy?

Hope your work is going well this Fall and that you have the prospects for another good year. Kindest regards to your wife!

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK
Enc. Ck. #35186-$5,000.-

Hoonah Construction Co

September 17, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Stanley V. Grummett, Mgr.
Juneau Insurance Agency
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Grummett:

Thank you for your thoroughness in taking care of our needs in the development of our new project at Hoonah. We had supposed that construction was proceeding and this insurance would be necessary but a letter from our minister, The Rev. George Betts, indicates that construction has not yet begun. We do not need this policy at the present and would ask that you hold it and reissue it when you receive word from Mr. Foss, the architect, that construction has advanced far enough to require this additional insurance.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Dictated but not
signed by Dr. Jackman

Enc. Policy #2-1253 in the amount of $10,000
also bill covering this insurance for premium of $200. per year

Hoonah construction folder

September 21, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Stanley V. Grummett, Mgr.
Juneau Insurance Agency
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Grummett:

We have discovered that wrong information was sent us in regard to the progress on the Church in Hoonah. We were told that nothing had been done in starting construction which would relieve us of the necessity of having the additional amount of insurance.

Some recent information has been received from The Rev. Willis R. Booth indicating that construction has begun and real progress is being made. In the latter case it will be necessary to have additional insurance. May we ask you to confer with Mr. Foss about this and add the second amount at the proper time sending us the policy with the bill?

Sorry to have caused this upset but we know you will straighten it out.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

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JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

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STANLEY V. GRUMMETT, MANAGER JUNEAU, ALASKA

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Hoonah Reconstruction Folder

September 21, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions
Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I am in receipt of your letter of September 17, with reference to the cancellation of Rhode Island Insurance Company Policy No. 2-1253 covering the church building a Hoonah, Alaska in the amount of $10,000. effective September 1, 1945.

I will keep in contact with Mr. Foss, Architect, and as soon as there is sufficient value for this additional insurance, I will be glad to reissue this policy in accordance with your instructions.

Very truly yours,

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

By Stanley V. Grummett

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

October 2, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

Mr. Fred Geeslin
Alaska Indian Service
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Geeslin:

A situation has developed in Hoonah in which we seem to need some help from your office.

When the Quonset hut was torn down and rebuilt in Hoonah our office paid about $600. for the labor, etc. on this job with the understanding that we would have exclusive right for services in the hut and it would be open to us. The Rev. George Betts has been moved to Hoonah to take care of our work and he reports that this has been turned over to the Construction Company and he finds it locked. We seem to be getting in there only at the sufferance of the Construction Company and apparently there is a definite plan and understanding there that this is owned by the town and they will do with it as they please. In light of our appropriation for it circumstances might indicate that we would have some rights and privileges in its use.

I could write to Mr. Barry Douglas, Mayor of Hoonah about this but I do not want to do anything which would antagonize in any way or handicap the ministry of George Betts. May we ask you to investigate the matter and intercede in our behalf?

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Dictated but not
signed by Dr. Jackman

CC The Rev. Willis R. Booth

Miss Helen Dawson
Unit of Work in Alaska - Miss Koerner
Hoonah, Alaska Church Building Insurance Policy #2-1271 (Standard Fire Insurance Policy)

October 4, 1945

We are attaching herewith Policy #2-1271 with the Rhode Island Insurance Company of Providence, R.I. which is a Standard Fire Insurance Policy on our Church Building at Hoonah, Alaska for $10,000. and which expires October 1, 1948.

Dr. Jackman is away from the office at this time, so we are turing this policy over to your office for filing purposes after you have reviewed it and feel sure that it fits our situation. When Dr. Jackman returns and should he want to see this policy we can always secure it from your office. You know more about these policies than I do, personally.

We would also appreciate it if you feel the coverage is sufficient in this Policy to pay the attached bill for $200.- premium on this policy. Thank you.

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Unit of Work in Alaska
per

Att.: Rhode Island Insurance Policy #2-1271
" $200.- bill for premium due on this Policy

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JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

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STANLEY V. GRUMMETT, MANAGER JUNEAU, ALASKA

OCT 2 1945

RECEIVED
OCT 1 1945
INSURANCE

VIA AIR MAIL September 26, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board National Missions, Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Rhode Island Insurance Company
Policy No. 2-1271

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Thank you for your letter of September 21, with further reference to the construction progress of the church building at Hoonah, Alaska.

I immediately contacted Mr. Harold B. Foss and was told that sufficient value had been reached to apply the $10,000 fire coverage effective October 1st. and I have therefore rewritten this amount in the above captioned policy.

I have been informed by Mr. Foss that in accordance with progress reports from Hoonah on the construction of the church building, he will advise this office of the proper time to apply the final additional $10,000 fire coverage, at which time I shall forward the policy to your office.

I have enclosed the above policy together will our bill, and trust the enclosures will be found in order.

Very truly yours,

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

By Stanley V. Grummett

SEATTLE EXPORT OFFICE:
PHONE ALDER 1860
P. O. BOX 4096--INTERBAY STATION
SEATTLE 99, WASHINGTON

OCT 10 1945

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO JUNEAU OFFICE

ALASKA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

GENERAL CONTRACTORS
P. O. BOX 141
JUNEAU, ALASKA

October 4, 1945

Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the United
States of America
c/o Rev. Willis R. Booth
Juneau, Alaska

Estimate #1 - September 1945
For Construction of a New Church Building at Hoonah, Alaska

Payrolls, as per attached:			
Week Ending 8/25/45		101.75	
" " 9/1/45		589.92	
" " 9/8/45		724.85	
" " 9/15/45		982.05	
" " 9/22/45		250.39	2,538.86
Payroll Taxes and Insurance - 9%			228.50
Invoices, as per attached:			
Western Ornamental Iron & Wire Works			38.00
Territory Construction Company			74.08
Savage Lumber & Manufacturing Company			145.53
Alaska Transportation Company			100.85
Gladding, McBean & Company			47.69
Material from Contractor's Stock:			
30 yards gravel		5.00	150.00
18 " sand		5.00	90.00
40 bbls. cement		5.75	230.00
20,000 FBM lumber		47.50	950.00
5 kegs nails		8.65	43.25
Rental of Contractor's equipment:			
Truck	11 hours	2.81	30.91
Skilsaw	10 "	2.50 per 8 hr. day	3.15
Concrete Mixer	10 "	8.75 " " " "	9.85
Crane	56½ "	6.88	251.12
TD Tractor	4½ "	5.65	25.54
			5,007.11
Plus 10%, as per contract			500.71
Amount Due This Estimate			$5,507.82

APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:

H. B. FOSS COMPANY

Harold B. Foss

Harold B. Foss

Paid Payment Oct 6. 1945
Alaska Const Co
By A.O. Peterson

Miss Helen Dawson
Unit of Work in Alaska - Miss Koerner
Hoonah, Alaska

October 10, 1945

In reply to your memo of October 5th, may we say that upon checking with your office on September 13th we were informed that you had on file two policies covering the new Church at Hoonah; Policy #F-5159 and Policy #LOLT-90852 with the General Insurance Company. On October 4th we turned over to your office Policy #2-1271 with the Rhodes Island Insurance Company of Providence, R.I.

This Policy #2-1271 is dated October 1st and is to take the place of the one which was referred to previously to be issued on September 1st. A policy had been sent us dated September 1st but we understood that progress on the Church had been delayed so Dr. Jackman cancelled the September 1st policy and the October 1st was issued in its place. As progress is made the Insurance Company will be informed and another policy is to be issued covering the final $10,000 fire coverage at which time a policy will be forwarded to our office and we shall turn the same over to your office. The ~~first~~ insurance is to total $26,000. of which amount $16,000. has been covered by policies. The Policy #LOLT-90852 is an Owner's Protective Liability and Property Damage Liability insurance.

Unit of Work in Alaska
per

FK

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

OCT 18 1945

MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020
JUNEAU, ALASKA

October 15, 1945

Rev. J. Earl Jackman, D. D.
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Earl: Re: Hoonah Building.

You will recall that when the plans were all made for the Hoonah Church Building, we had $26,000. for the total job. When the contract was let, it was found that some parts of the building would have to be left unfinished. The floor in the basement was one of the items. This item amounted to $600.

Mr. Hugh B. Antrim, engineer, employed by the Alaska Construction Company, is connected with my Church, and seeing the need, became very much interested is seeing that floor laid if at all possible. He voiced his thoughts loudly in Juneau, and based them upon the following facts:

1. Hoonah has no provision for a room for either social or community gatherings. None will be had until such future time as the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood find sufficient funds with which to build a hall.

2. The Church should be the center of a social program and activity, but that would be impossible without the floor being laid in the basement of the Church.

3. If the Presbyterian Church does not meet this need, the way is open for the Salvation Army to redouble their efforts there and build a hall for the purpose, thus taking the people away from the Church.

4. Without the floor, mthe Church will have no place where a church social gathering can meet.

5. The Indian is in great need of gathering together for dinners in the Church in order to help them get away from their old potlatch customs.

The result is that I have taken it upon myself to try to raise that $600. for the express purpose of laying the floor now. If we wait until after the contractors pull

out, the cost will be greater.

I have given the people in my own congregation an opportunity to contribute to the cause. They have responded in a fine way, and are still giving. I mentioned the subject at the National Missions Committee meeting and at Presbytery, and some gifts were immediately received. Todate I have received in cash $446. and have the promise of the remainder. I have therefore asked Mr. Foss to see to it that the floor in the basement is laid.

When the special fund for the concrete floor is all in, I will send you a list of the donors that you may include them with your own list for recognition.

Sincerely yours,

Willis

Willis R. Booth

OCT 18 1945

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020
JUNEAU, ALASKA

October 15, 1945

Rev. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, 10, N. Y.

Dear Earl:

Under date of October 10, I received from Mr. Don C. Foster, Office of Indian Affairs, your letter of October 2 addressed to him regarding the use of the Quonset Hut at Hoonah for our church services.

In accordance with the agreement which we made with the Hoonah Council, which agreement was invested by the Hoonah Council in the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood of Hoonah, the way has been cleared for us to use the Quonset Hut for religious purposes, which right is exclusively consigned to the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. Since the date Mr. Betts moved to Hoonah and took up his work there he has had the Quonset Hut for all services on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

During the summer, they allowed the Alaska Construction Company to use the building for recreational purposes, but because of the gambling that took place, the Construction Company discontinued its use in August. They had already vacated the building when I was in Hoonah in early September. Mr. Betts will continue to have its full use until our Church is completed and ready for occupancy.

The signed copy of our agreement for use of the building is in the possession of Rev. Paul Prouty.

Sincerely yours,

Willis

Willis R. Booth

FIRE PHONE 253 AUTOMOBILE

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

"Insure and Be Sure"

STANLEY V. GRUMMETT, MANAGER JUNEAU, ALASKA

OCT 22 1945

VIA AIR MAIL October 18, 1945

Mr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions
Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Rhode Island Insurance Co. #2-1282
General Insurance Company #F5183

Upon advise received from Mr. H. B. Foss, Architect, I have issued the above captioned fire insurance policies in the amount of $10,000. covering the church building at Hoonah, Alaska under course of construction.

These policies have been dated effective November 1, 1945 for a term of three years. This makes a total of $26,000 on this structure, which represents the completed value.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you kindly for this business, and if I can be of any further assistance please let me know. I have also attached my invoice for the above policies, which I trust you will find in order.

Very truly yours,

JUNEAU INSURANCE AGENCY

By Stanley V. Grummett

Miss Dawson
Dr. Jackman
Hoonah, Alaska Insurance Policies

October 25, 1945

We are returning to you the attached fire insurance policies covering the Church at Hoonah, Alaska which is in process of construction. We are glad to know that the total cost of the building is now covered adequately.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:ra

Att.: Rhode Island Insurance Company Policy #2-1282 for $3500.- premium $70. dated November 1, 1945 and expiration date November 1, 1948
" General Insurance Company of America Policy #5383F-5183 for $6500.- premium $130.- dated November 1, 1945 expiration date November 1, 1948
" Bill for both policies totaling $200.- premium to be paid

RAYMOND L. WOLFE
CLERK OF SESSION

OCT 29 1945

MRS. RUTH M. ROSE
TREASURER

Northern Light Presbyterian Church

WILLIS R. BOOTH, MINISTER
P. O. BOX 3020
JUNEAU, ALASKA

October 24, 1945

Rev. J. Earl Jackman, D. D.
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Earl:

This will acknowledge receipt of Cheque number 39195 from the Board of National Missions amounting to $5000. for the Building Fund of the Hoonah Presbyterian Church.

The building is progressing nicely, though I am confident the job will not be completed by October 31 as hoped.

Yours truly,

Willis R. Booth

Hoonah Reconstruction Folder

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

OCT 31 1945

TO Dr. Jackman
FROM Insurance Department
RE: Hoonah, Alaska

DATE 10/30/45

I have placed policies nos. 2-1282 and 5383F-5183 on file and have put through the bill for $200 for payment, in connection with the above captioned property.

Anna Laubert

al

Horace Wilder

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

December 12, 1945

American Seating Company
Grand Rapids 2, Michigan

Dear Sirs:

Is it possible for you to supply us with 100 or 150 folding chairs? We need them at an early date to equip one of our churches in Alaska which is now nearly finished and will be ready for use within a month.

Please send me any descriptive folder you may have on the type of folding chairs which are available with a price list of the same.

Very truly yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

SEATTLE EXPORT OFFICE:
PHONE ALDER 1860
P. O. BOX 4096--INTERBAY STATION
SEATTLE 99, WASHINGTON

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO JUNEAU OFFICE

DEC 17 1945

ALASKA CONSTRUCTION COMPANY

GENERAL CONTRACTORS
P. O. BOX 141
JUNEAU, ALASKA

December 10, 1945

Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
c/o Rev. Willis R. Booth
Juneau, Alaska

ESTIMATE #2 - CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CHURCH BUILDING AT HOONAH, ALASKA

Payrolls, as per attached:		
Week Ending 11/3/45	379.93	
" " 11/10/45	740.07	
" " 11/17/45	742.02	
" " 11/24/45	613.38	
" " 12/1/45	373.63	2,849.03
Payroll Taxes and Insurance - 9%		256.41
Invoices, as per attached:		
Alaska Coastal Airlines		41.40
Alaska Transportation Company		2.00
Savage Lumber & Manufacturing Company		71.36
" " " " (portion of millowrk		1,795.27
Builders' Hardware & Supply Company		165.00
Metcalfe Sheet Metal		151.00
Plus freight		9.57
Juneau Lumber Mills		308.60
Plus freight		51.20
Juneau Plumbing & Heating Company - on account		650.00
B. H. Stordahl & Sons		371.24
Material from Contractor's Stock:		
Lumber - 5,126. FBM	47.50	243.49
Flooring- 2,650 "	85.00	225.25
7 Rolls Tar Paper	1.69	11.83
45# Form Wire	.10	4.50
25 Gallons Boiled Linseed Oil	2.30	57.50
Plus Freight		1.60
2½ Yards Concrete	15.00	37.50
1 Keg Galvanized Nails	10.00	10.00
Rental of Contractor's Equipment:		
Truck - 12 hours	2.81	43.72
Concrete Mixer - 1 8 hr. day	8.75	8.75
		7,364.22
Plus 10%, as per contract		736.42
Amount due this estimate		$ 8,100.64

APPROVED:

Harold B. Foss

Harold B. Foss

Received 12/17/45
Alaska Construction Co
by Landaas